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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: ICAO AIR SECURITY CONFERENCE

FOROFFS DIRGEN SADAQA ASKED TO SEE ME THIS

MORNING TO DISCUSS ICAO MEETING. HE MADE FOLLOWING  
POINTS:

1. AFTER MY MEETING WITH FORMIN (BEIRUT 10140) INSTRUCTIONS WERE GIVEN TO HADDAD TO REMAIN IN PERMANENT TOUCH WITH USDEL, TO HARMONIZE HIS APPROACH WITH US AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE, AND TO PURSUE A MODERATE COURSE.

2. LEBANESE DEL UNSTRUCTED NOT TO SEEK EXPULSION OF ISRAEL FROM ICAO, BUT IF SUBSTANTIAL SENTIMENT EXISTED FOR RESTRICTING ISRAELI PARTICIPATION ON REGIONAL BASIS AS DONE WITH SOUTH AFRICA AND PORTUGAL, LEBANON SHOULD

SUPPORT THIS. (HE SAID FOR POLITICAL REASONS BOTH DOMESTIC AND IN ARAB WORLD LEBANON AS AGGRIEVED PARTY COULD HARDLY DO LESS).

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3. NOW, SADAQA SAID, COMPLICATING ELEMENT  
HAS BEEN INTRODUCED:

A. YESTERDAY ISRAELIS CONVENED URGENT MEETING ALONG  
BORDER UNDER AEGIS OF UN MIXED ARMISTICE COMMISSION WHICH  
THEY ASKED BE HELD AT HIGHER THAN NORMAL LEVEL (GOI  
REPRESENTED BY DEPUTY CHIEF OF ISRAELI G-2 AND GOL  
BY COL. KANAAN).

B. ISRAELI REP OPENED MEETING, TO LEBANESE  
SURPRISE AND CHAGRIN, BY RAISING "POLITICAL SUBJECT"  
WHICH NOT AT ALL APPROPRIATE FOR MAC. ISRAELI REP  
IMMEDIATELY REFERRED TO ROME MEETING AND CONVEYED  
DISPLEASURE LEBANON REPORTEDLY TAKING TOUGHER ATTITUDE  
AT ROME THAN IN NEW YORK OR MONTREAL RE PUNITIVE  
MEASURES AGAINST ISRAEL FOR PLANE HIJACKING. HE SAID,  
IN PAST ISRAELI-LEBANESE RELATIONSHIPS HAD BEEN MARKED  
BY CERTAIN LIMITS OF MODERATION. "WITHOUT THREATENING  
LEBANON", ISRAELI REP SAID, ISRAELI GOVT WOULD HAVE  
TO RECONSIDER SUCH ATTITUDE IF LEBANON NOW TAKES  
TOUGHER STAND IN ROME.

C. ISRAELI REP THEN PROCEEDED TO COMPLAIN ABOUT  
FOUR ROCKETS FOUND ON ISRAELI TERRITORY JUST BEYOND  
LEBANESE FRONTIER. HE ALLEGED THESE HAD BEEN PLANTED  
BY FEDAYEEN COMING FROM LEBANON AND HAD BEEN DISARMED  
BEFORE THEY COULD EXPLODE (USDAO/TEL AVIV 1290).

D. LEBANESE REP CONSIDERED ISRAELIS WERE IMPLYING THAT  
IF LEBANON TOOK STRONG POSITION AT ROME, THERE WOULD BE ISRAELI  
MILITARY REPRISALS USING DISCOVERY OF FOUR ROCKETS AS PRETEXT.

4. PRESIDENT FRANGIE HAD INSTRUCTED SADAQA  
TO INFORM ME OF THIS DEVELOPMENT AND TO SAY THE LEBANON'S  
POSITION IN ROME WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED BY SCARCELY VEILED  
ISRAELI THREAT. GOL HAD COMMITMENT TO US TO CONSULT  
INTIMATELY AND FOLLOW MODERATE COURSE AND WOULD ABIDE  
BY THIS COMMITMENT. HOWEVER, THEY WOULD ENGAGE IN  
NO DIALOGUE WITH ISRAELIS ON SUBJECT.

5. DURING CONVERSATION, TELEGRAM ARRIVED FROM  
HADDAD SAYING CERTAIN ARAB DELEGATIONS PROPOSED  
AMENDMENT TO DRAFT RES CALLING FOR ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL  
ALONG LINES THAT TAKEN AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA AND PORTUGAL.  
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HOWEVER, IN CONSULTATION WITH AFRICAN DELS LAST NIGHT IT  
APPEARED ONLY ABOUT 40 VOTES COULD BE OBTAINED FOR SUCH  
PROPOSAL AND THEREFORE IT WILL NOT BE PURSUED.  
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